(c) Information regarding last years commitments and the actual expenditure had to be gathered from all Districts.

(d) The policy of Government is to encourage the construction of general hostels by sanctioning grants subject to availability of funds.

Project at Nagalmadike across North Pinakini River

294. Sri P. ANJANAPPA (Pavagada).—

Will the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state :—

(a) the reasons for the delay in taking up the Project at Nagalamadike across the North Pinakini River at an estimated cost of Rs. 80,00,000 ;

(b) the stage at which the project is pending ;

(c) whether it would be taken up and commenced during this financial year alone ?

A.— Sri VEERENDRA PATIL (Minister for Public Works).—

(a) The Project is under detailed study yet.

(b) Pro forma details for obtaining technical clearance from Central Water and Power Commission are being collected.

(c) No.

Compensation to Farmers affected due to submersion in Pandavapura Taluk

296. Sri N. A. CHANNE GOWDA (Pandavapura).—

Will the Minister for Revenue and Forests be pleased to state :—

(a) the amount of compensation awarded to farmers whose lands were submerged in the Thonnur Tank of Pandavapura Taluk ;

(b) when the amount of compensation would be paid to the farmers ;

(c) whether there is any proposal to give the compensation based on market value of land ?

A.— Sri B. RACHAIAH (Minister for Revenue and Forests).—

(a) and (b) Thonnur tank is a very old tank constructed about 800 years ago. Whether there is any fresh submersion beyond original tank bed is being examined by local Public Works Department and Revenue authorities.

(c) Does not arise at this stage in view of reply to clauses (a) and (b).